



PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

Yoshitaka SASAKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 3729

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For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD
WITH IMPROVED PERFORMANCE

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
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